

Postal 'Subversives'

The House Internal Security Committee asked Postal Service officials to "explain the conditions under which 38 postal workers, known to be members of subversive organizations," were hired and remain on the federal payroll.

Rep. Richardson Preyer (D-N.C.) said authorities advised him members of the Communist Party USA, Socialist Workers Party, Progressive Labor Party, Young Socialist Alliance and Black Panther Party are employed in handling the mails.

A Postal Service spokesman reported none of the 38 occupies a sensitive position, Preyer said.

But Preyer contended the matter of nonsensitive jobs is "a gray area considering that much classified material is routed through the mails, thus giving postal employees access to secret and confidential information."

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